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THE LAW OF UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS AND SIMILAR RELATIONS, by Sidney R. Wrightington, of the Boston Bar, Boston: Little, Brown, and Company, 1916; pp. xxvi., 486.

The author wisely refrains from attempting to define his subject because of the great difficulty in fixing any technical limits for that term, and he presents a double scheme of classification. (1) according to pecuniary purpose, (2) according to cohesion. The vagueness in form of presentation is a faithful reflection of the vagueness of the subject, but the author succeeds in giving us a fairly comprehensive view of what the courts have actually done in determining the rights and liabilities of those who are members of such groups. The chapter discussing the distinctions between partnership and trusts is one of the most helpful parts of the book. Here is given what is practically the view of the Massachusetts court on the subject, with references to cases decided in Illinois, Wisconsin and in the United States Supreme Court. The law of Massachusetts is most frequently quoted throughout the entire work, for the reason, as stated by the author, that these associations have been more largely used and more highly developed in this state. Nearly a third of the book is taken up with forms of deeds of trust that have actually been used for business organizations and have been tested by the courts. This, of course, adds materially to the volume of the book as a guide to the practitioner.

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